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e Portugueſe Court has received and publiſhed the ſol-owing Advices from Braſil, of the Tranſactions that ave happened on Rio de la Plata, from laſt December 5, to March 3, which is the Date of the laſt Letter rom the Governor of the Colony of St. Sacrament.

FTER the Anſwer which the Portugueſe Governor made on the 10th of December laſt to the Governor of Buenos Ayres, the latter diſcontinued the Preparations he was making to ſtorm the Place, but turn'd all his Cannon and Mortars againſt the Town, in order o deſtroy it; and in 8 Days time he caſt up a ſtrong Trench or Line of Circumvallation upon the Hill f Sampayo, which commands the Habitations that towards the North, and having furniſhed the me with Artillery, he endeavoured to beat down he reſt of the Houſes that were yet ſtanding.

On the 6th of January, Succours came in Sight f the Colony from Rio de Janeiro; but the Spaniſh Governor, who had Notice of their coming two or hree Days before from Montevedio, had already rawn off all his Men and Guns, and poſted them ehind his Lines, from whence he continued to atter the Habitations, tho' with leſs Execution han was apprehended. But as the Spaniſh Go-ernor's Poſt was too much expoſed to the Fire of he Beſieged, and as he has ſuffered much thereby, e abandoned it on Candlemas Eve, after having t Fire to all his Works, and removed his Camp to uch a Diſtance, that the Artillery could not reach im; ſo that he converted the Siege into a Blockade, aving a Deſign, according to the Report of De-erters, to paſs the Winter there, in hopes of re-ucing the Place by ſtarving it; or that he ſhould eceive a Reinforcement ſtrong enough to enable im to take it by Force.

When the Ships that brought the Succours to the olony were arrived off of the Sands of Ortiz, hey ſaw a Sloop coming towards them with 18 ars; but the Commander diſcovering our Veſſels, mmediately tack'd about and went with the News f the Arrival of the Succours, to the Ships that lock'd up the Harbour of the Colony, which ſail'd mmediately with moſt of their Long Boats to-ards Buenos Ayres; ſo that when the Succours ame to Anchor before the Colony, there were but Sloops at the Iſle of St. Gabriel, which we could ot attack, by reaſon of a Storm of Wind that blew t that Time; ſo that they made their Eſcape, to-ether with the Soldiers who guarded the Battery hich was in that Iſland: Nevertheleſs we found wo Pieces of Cannon there, one of 24 and the ther of 18 Pounders, which were removed next Day to St. Sacrament. Our Ships put to Sea again he ſame Day in purſuit of the Spaniards, who we ound were already retired to the Gulph of Barregau. t took us up a vaſt deal of Time and Pains to find ut by what Canal they got thither; but when we ade that Diſcovery it ſignified nothing, becauſe ur Ships were aground there at every Turn, eſpe-ially the Chief, which carried 50 Guns, and drew great deal of Water. At length, after a great any fruitleſs Attempts, we were obliged to tow he Ships beyond the Shallows, and bring them ack to the Colony. We endeavoured to moor the iggeſt Ship of all, as much as poſſible, and ſpent hree Days in taking other Precautions, after which e ſail'd again towards Barregau, where, when we rrived, we found the Entrance defended by a attery, which, however, did not hinder our Ad-ancing, and our Ships actually enter'd the Canal; ut with as little Succeſs as the firſt Time, by reaſon f the Shallows which they found unpaſſable. herefore ſeeing there was no Remedy for this In-onveniency; and that beſides, the Ships were anted to provide for the Subſiſtance of the Be-ieged, 'twas thought proper to abandon the Un-dertaking, and to return to the Colony; yet the reateſt Ship of all was left before the Gulph of Barregau, to watch the Motions of the Spaniards, whoſe Governor ſtill gave out, that he ſhortly ex-pected a great Reinforcement from Spain.'

A Relation ſent to the Court of Spain by Brigadier Don Manuel de Salcedo, Governor of Buenos Ayres in America, of what paſſed between the Spaniards and Portugueſe, at the Colony of St. Sacrament on Rio de la Plata, and in Parts adjacent, from Dec. 15, 1735, to the 3d of March laſt.

'IN the Beginning of the Year 1734, when I firſt enter'd on my Office as Governor of Buenos Ayres, I acquainted the Governor of the Portugueſe Colony of St. Sacrament, that I had Orders to ſettle the Limits with him in an amicable Way, reckoning all the Ground within Cannon-ſhot of the Place, purſuant to the 5th and 6th Articles of the Treaty of Utrecht; but he excuſed himſelf, ſaying, he had no Orders about it from his Maſter the King of Portugal. Upon this I ſent to deſire him, expreſly, no leſs than three Times, to ſee that the Portugueſe kept within the Bounds of their Territory as they had been eſtabliſhed, proteſting that he would be anſwerable for ſuch Reſolutions as I might take to reſtore to the Dominion of the King my Maſter, thoſe Territories which were his, and his only, and which the Portugueſe had taken Poſſeſſion of, by extending themſelves as far as 16 Miles in the Country, and were in a fair Way of ſtretching to Rio Grande, if not prevented in Time.

'To this the Governor of St. Sacrament reply'd, that he adhered to his former Anſwer, adding ſome Arguments concerning the Rupture which he ſuppoſed was ſtill ſubſiſting between the Crowns of Spain and Portugal.

'At laſt, perceiving that I could do nothing by all my Friendly Inſtances, and remembering that my Predeceſſor, ever ſince 1721, got nothing by fair Means, I reſolved to try what Force would do, eſpecially when upon occaſion of the Terrol Fiſhery, I received a Repetition of my Orders, with regard to the Regulation of the Limits, upon continual Complaints that were made of carrying on a Contraband Trade. I then determin'd therefore to put the Deſign in Execution which I had form'd, and which I had till then been obliged to ſuſpend, becauſe my Troops were employ'd in pacifying certain Diſturbances at that Time in Paraguay. I oblig'd the Portugueſe to quit the Territories which they had uſurped, and to retire within the Limits of their Colony, after which I cauſed the Fort to be cannonaded, and made a Breach in it; but upon Conſideration that I had perform'd my Orders, by obliging the Portugueſe to retire from the Lands that were without their Bounds, and doubting whether I ought to proceed any farther, I reſolv'd to ſuſpend the farther Attack of the Fort, and to keep the Portugueſe in Awe by a Blockade. Two Regiſter Ships of Don Franciſco d'Alzeybar, took two Portugueſe Ships as they were carrying on a Contraband Trade to Rio de la Plata.

'Mean time the Portugueſe of All Saints Bay came on the 6th of January laſt, with 8 Ships to the Relief of the Colony of St. Sacrament. Among thoſe Ships, were 3 Frigats from 30 to 54 Guns each, which would fain have carried off Alzeybar's two Ships, but were repulſed with Loſs. The Governor of the Colony cauſed a Report likewiſe to be ſpread, that he ſhortly expected 6 other Ships, viz. 2 of 30 Guns each, and 4 with Men and Ammunition.'

The Governor of Buenos Ayres adds, that beſides other Damages which the Poſſeſſions of the King of Spain and the Trade of his Subjects have ſuffered from the Portugueſe of the Colony of St. Sacrament, this is not the moſt inconſiderable, viz. That during the whole Year 1735, there arrived but 30 Ships with Merchandize in the Road of Buenos Ayres, among which were 4 Engliſh, that came along with them directly from Lisbon with Engliſh and Portugueſe Colours, with the Captains and Men of both Nations, and furniſhed with Paſſports from the Kings of England and Portugal; from whence 'tis eaſy, ſays the Governor, to diſcover that the Trade of Peru is intirely ruined, by the Non-obſervance of the Treaties, on the Faith of which the Colony of St. Sacrament was eſtabliſh'd.

Edinburgh, Aug. 19. Tueſday laſt his Grace the Duke of Athole, arrived here from the Iſle of Man with a great Retinue, and this Day ſet out for his fine Country Seat at Dunkeld.

We have an Account from Long-Niddery in Eaſt Lothian, about nine Miles from this Place, that upon Monday laſt a Servant having gone in to take out ſome Meal from the Girnal to bake the Reapers Bread, and there being a Trencher with Meal mixed with Arſnick ſtanding hard by for killing Rats, the ſame by Accident dropt in amongſt the Bread meal, which ſhe concealed for fear of offending her Miſtreſs, and carried it directly to the Baker's. No ſooner had the Reapers eat of it, but they all found themſelves uneaſy, and felt a great Draught, and after drinking Water, ſwelled in a miſerable Manner; a Sugeon was immediately ſent for, and proper Medicines applied, ſo that none of them is yet dead that we hear of.

Durham, Aug. 14. This Day ended our Aſſizes, when John Nicholſon received Sentence of Death for Horſe ſtealing, but afterwards was reprieved for Tranſportation for 14 Years. Guthbert Hodgſon for ſtealing ſeveral Parcels of Linnen Yarn, Ann Wray for ſtealing a Gold Ring and a Man's Shirt, William Kirton for Houſe-breaking, Thomas Hall for robbing his Maſter, Mary Darcy for ſtealing Wearing Apparel, Ralph Bambrough for ſtealing a Silver Cup, and John Woodward for Houſe-breaking, ordered to be tranſported for 7 Years. John Day for ſtealing a Cover of a Still and 2 Braſs Diſhes, was burn'd in the Hand. William Savil for killing the Cobleman, was ordered up to London to be tried by the Admiralty. William Johnſon for raviſhing 2 Girls continued till next Aſſizes, he pleaded Sickneſs and Inability for Trial; the reſt acquitted.

And on Monday laſt began the Aſſizes at Newcaſtle, where 19 Criminals remained for Trial and 11 for Morpeth.

Northampton, Aug. 23. Laſt Thurſday ſe'nnight the Rev. Mr. Lloyd, a Diſſenting Miniſter of Daventry, was married to Mrs. Durrard, Widow, of the ſame Town, a very large Fortune.

On Friday laſt Mary Haddon was executed here for poiſoning her Mother. Sometime before her Execution ſhe confeſſed the Fact, and a Perſon who attended her, wrote down from her own Mouth every particular Circumſtance thereof, which is now in print.

On Saturday John Harabin ſtood a third and laſt Time in the Pillory in this Town, purſuant to his Sentence at our laſt Aſſizes, for putting away bad Money; he is further to ſuffer a Twelvemonth's Impriſonment, and find Security for his good Behaviour for three Years after.

Salisbury, Aug. 21. For this Week paſt we have had a Series of ſurprizing and Melancholy Accidents, as follows, viz.

Saturday Auguſt 14, a Gentleman of Biſhopſtone near Sarum, ſhot himſelf thro' the Head; the Coroner's Inqueſt ſat on the Body, and brought in their Virdict, Lunatick.

Wedneſday Auguſt 18. William Turner, a Lad about 13 Years of Age, Servant to Mr. Thorpe the late Jail Keeper, was found hanged in the Cellar with both his Hands reſting on a Barrel and his Feet on the Floor; notwithſtanding which he was dead——A Malefactor being executed here the Day before, 'tis thought he did it only out of Curioſity to try how it was. And,

On Thurſday Morning a Clothier of this City being in Bed with his Wife, and having had ſome Words with her a Day or two before, ſhe took her Opportunity and cut his Throat, but Surgeons being called to his Aſſiſtance, and proper Means uſed, 'tis hoped he'll recover.

The ſame Day in the Afternoon Thomas Creed of this City, was committed to the County Priſon by Juſtice Payne, for ſhooting the Wife of Joſhua Whay thro' the Body, of which ſhe inſtantly died; the Jury brought in their Virdict accidental Death.

And Yeſterday a Man was committed for robbing a Boy of his Breeches, his Watch, and 4 s. and 6 d. between Stockbridge and Salisbury; the Manner of his being detected was as follows; after he had robbed him, he went one Way and the Boy ſeemingly went another, but he ſoon turned about and followed him

him at a Diſtance, keeping a conſtant Eye upon him till he came to Sarum, where the Boy diſcover'd the Robbery, and the Highwayman was inſtantly apprehended.

Gloucester, *Aug.* 21. They write from Durſley, that ſometime ſince came to that Town one Henry Nugent, an Iriſhman, who went about with the Skeleton of a Horſe, pretending to be a Farrier; but being ſo unlucky as to kill ſeveral Gentlemen's Horſes inſtead of curing them, he thought it his beſt Way to take to his old Trade, viz. marrying of Women, and running away with their Money. Accordingly he changed his Name from Nugent to Eugene, and made Love to an old Maid in that Town, who has ſav'd a conſiderable Sum of Money by 20 Years Service, whoſe Conſent he gained by Oaths and Imprecations of his being a ſingle Man, and accordingly ſtole her away in the Night from a good Service, and married her at Berkley, and the next Day received her Money and went off: But in a few Hours after his Departure, came to that Town a former Wife of his, whom he had married that Day Twelvemonth before, and hearing of his ſecond Marriage, got a Warrant and purſued him, and took him at Chepſtow in Monmouthſhire, where he eſcaped from the Conſtable, but being retaken, and both Wives examined concerning their Marriage to him, he was committed to Cardiff Jail, in order to be tried the next Aſſizes.

N. B. He had the Impudence publickly to declare in Durſley, that he had a dozen Wives in England, Ireland, Spain, &c. he having travelled in thoſe Parts, and hath been a great Practitioner that Way.——The Inſerting of this, 'tis hoped, will caution our Female Readers againſt the Intrigues of thoſe Iriſh Fortune-hunters.

LONDON.

Laſt Night their Royal Highneſſes the Prince and Princeſs of Wales, attended by ſeveral Perſons of Diſtinction, went to the Theatre Royal in Drury-Lane, and ſaw the Comedy called the Conſcious Lovers.

On Wedneſday laſt —— Foubert, Eſq; was married to Miſs Andrews, a Fortune upwards of 10,000 l. the next Day the new married Couple ſet out for his Seat in Wiltſhire to celebrate their Nuptials.

Yeſterday Mr. Travel, Son of Thomas Travel of Swarfield in Oxfordſhire, was married to Miſs Page, Daughter of Mr. Page an eminent Callicoe Printer at Wandſworth in Surry, a beautiful young Lady and a Fortune of 10,000 l.

We hear that the Right Honourable the Counteſs of Burlington, is indiſpoſed at his Lordſhips Houſe at Chiſwick,

As is alſo George Littleton, Eſq; Member of Parliament for Oakhampton in the County of Devon, Son of Sir Thomas Littleton, Bart. one of the Lords of the Admiralty, being attended by ſeveral Phyſicians.

Yeſterday a Plumber unfortunately fell two Stories high off the King's Arms Tavern in St. Paul's Church Yard, by which Means he broke his Arm, and was ſo terribly bruiſed that his Life is diſpaired of.

The Oratory Subjects on Sunday next, will be in the Morning an Explanation of the Texts——Cain of the Lord —— yet of the Devil: Abel firſt pray'd and not: all die and not: Days 120 Years, and not: the Oration will be on the Witch of Endor's bringing up Samuel.——In the Evening,——on the Word, not good to be alone, yet not good to touch a Woman;——leave Father and Mother——yet honour your Father——and the Oration will be on the Philoſopher's Stone from Scripture; the Text expreſſing the Thing;——and the Philoſophers Opinions;——then a publick Diſputation——Whether it be poſſible to find the Philoſopher's Stone? Mr. H. Reſpondent; and Mr. Dupin, a Gentleman skill'd in Philoſophy and of learned Education, Opponent:——any Gentleman free to Remark. The Gentleman's proper Univerſity is daily carried on in the Muſaeum, in private Inſtitutes, free from the Faults complained of by the beſt Families in other Methods.

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